

Map 9 - Bench Lake ASLS 80-147



Location	Located one mile south of Mile 94 of the Glenn Highway, south of the Matanuska River.
Topo Map	USGS Quad Anchorage D-3
Access	Air access is limited to float plane to Bench Lake during the summer months or skiplane during the winter. Access is also by boat via the Matanuska River.
Terrain	Topography consists of gentle to moderate inclining slopes with areas of wetlands. Elevation ranges from 1,800 to 1,970 feet above mean sea level. Bench Lake is located on a bluff that drops sharply, 400 feet to the river valley.
Soils	Soils are clayey or silty, sandy gravel with approximately 6 inches of topsoil. Drainage is adequate.
Vegetation	Vegetation is predominately spruce interspersed with cottonwood and alder stands found along the Lake's shoreline.
Water Front	Eight lots are adjacent to un-subdivided state land bordering the Matanuska River and nine additional lots border the shoreline of Bench Lake. Remaining lots have common river and lake access.
View	There is an outstanding view of the river valley and Talkeetna Mountains.
Climate	Temperatures range from 42 to 69 degrees F in summer and -5 to 35 degrees F in winter with year-round extremes expected -22 to 80 degrees F. Precipitation averages 13.79 inches a year and a mean snowfall of 68.7 inches.
Water Source	Low yields of water will affect availability. On-site water will probably be limited to shallow gravel and/or rock wells.
Water/Sewage Disposal	This subdivision has been approved by the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation pursuant to 18 AAC 72.065 for the installation of non-water carried sewage disposal (i.e. privies) only. Individual lots within this subdivision may be suitable for the installation of water carried sewage disposal systems. No individual water supply system or sewage disposal system shall be permitted on any lot unless such system is located, constructed and equipped in accordance with the requirements, standards and recommendations of ADEC.
Utilities	None
Restrictions	Subject to platted easements and reservations, see ASLS 80-147. Parcels may contain wetlands and may require Army Corps of Engineers permits prior to the placement of fill material.
Municipal Authority	Located within the taxing authority of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough.
Homeowners Assoc.	Any subsequent owner of any parcel automatically becomes a member of the Bench Lake Homeowners Association created to govern said subdivision. Covenants are recorded in the Palmer Recording District, Book 234, Page 902.
Other	Located within the Susitna Area Plan. Lands within this subdivision are tentatively approved from Federal Government.

Site Inspection: The Department of Natural Resources strongly urges anyone wishing to purchase a parcel to first review all information and then personally inspect the land before submitting a bid. The land chosen by a bidder/applicant is taken "as is" with no guarantees, expressed or implied, as to its suitability for any intended use.

Veteran's Land Discount

The Veteran's Land Discount described in this section cannot be applied to parcels acquired in the Veteran's Preference Sale. Per AS 38.05.940, eligible veterans may receive a **25 percent discount** on the purchase of state land. This Veteran's Land Discount may only be used **once** in an applicant's lifetime.

Veteran's Discount Qualifications

To be eligible, a veteran must submit proof, acceptable to the department, that he/she:

1. Is 18 years of age or older at the date of sale;
2. **Has been a resident of the State of Alaska** for a period of not less than one year immediately preceding the date of sale (see Residency Requirement);
3. Has served on active duty in the U.S. armed forces for at least 90 days, unless tenure was shortened

due to a service-connected disability or due to receiving an early separation after a tour of duty overseas (use Form DD 214); and

4. Has received an honorable discharge, or general discharge under honorable conditions.

For the purposes of this program, armed forces are limited to the United States Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force, and Coast Guard. Service in state National Guard units, the Alaska Territorial Guard, as well as Army, Navy, Marine, and Air Force Reserve service may also be included, provided the applicant can document the accumulation of 90 days of active duty service. A Form DD 214, Report of Separation from Active Duty, or the equivalent, showing the character of the discharge and length of active duty must be submitted. Interested veterans are encouraged to request their Form DD 214 well in advance of the auction.

The Veteran's Land Discount may be applied only to acquisition of surface rights to the land. **It may not**

be applied to survey and platting costs, or other costs reimbursable to the state. These reimbursable costs will be subtracted from the purchase price before the discount is calculated. The reimbursable cost per acre or lot is listed in the table on page 7.

Successful bidders who qualify for the Veteran's Land Discount **must apply for the discount at the time of the award notification.** The amount of the discount will be deducted from the principal sum of the sales contract or from the purchase price if the purchase price is paid in full.

For a purchase to be made jointly with another, both purchasers must be eligible veterans. Under these circumstances, only one 25 percent discount will be given and both veterans will have exhausted their once-in-a-lifetime land discount.

At right is an example of how a Veteran's Land Discount would be calculated for a 3.349-acre parcel with reimbursable costs of \$959 per acre; if the bid price were \$14,000.00:

VETERAN'S DISCOUNT CALCULATION			
Per Acre Reimbursable Cost	\$	959.00	
"X" Parcel Size (Acres)	x	3.349	
Total Reimbursable Cost	\$	3,211.69	
Bid Price	\$	14,000.00	\$ 14,000.00
Less the Reimbursable Cost	\$	-3,211.69	
Amount eligible for discount	\$	10,788.31	
25% Veteran's Discount Rate	x	0.25	
Veteran's Discount	\$	2,697.08	\$ -2,697.08
Discounted Purchase Price (Bid Price Less Discount)			\$ 11,302.92
Less 5% bid deposit of the full purchase price (<i>do not submit a bid deposit based upon the discounted purchase price</i>)			\$ -700.00
Balance Due			\$ 10,602.92

Reimbursable Costs for Calculating Veteran's Discount

Project Name	Project description	Cost/Acre
Alexander Creek West Subd.	ASLS 79-209	\$225.00/Acre
Amber Lake North Subd.	ASLS 80-152	\$293.00/Acre
Anderson (Sec. 17)	ASLS 79-023	\$54.00/Acre
Anderson (Sec. 18)	ASLS 79-024	\$54.00/Acre
Anderson (Sec. 19)	ASLS 79-025	\$54.00/Acre
Anderson (Sec. 20)	ASLS 79-026	\$54.00/Acre
Anderson (Sec. 28)	ASLS 79-027	\$54.00/Acre
Anderson (Sec. 29)	ASLS 79-028	\$54.00/Acre
Anderson (Sec. 30)	ASLS 79-029	\$54.00/Acre
Anderson (Sec. 31)	ASLS 79-030	\$54.00/Acre
Anderson (Sec. 32)	ASLS 79-031	\$54.00/Acre
Anderson (Sec. 33)	ASLS 79-032	\$54.00/Acre
Bald Mountain Subd.	ASLS 80-176	\$238.00/Acre
Bench Lake Subd.	ASLS 80-147	\$323.00/Acre
Berg Subd.	ASLS 82-181	\$531.00/Acre
Bruce Lake Subd.	ASLS 79-155	\$492.00/Acre
Canyon Lake Subd.	ASLS 80-139	\$274.00/Acre
Chase II Subd.	ASLS 79-149	\$236.00/Acre
Chena Hot Springs II Subd.	ASLS 80-138	\$260.00/Acre
Circle Subd.	ASLS 78-163 Replat A-J77-113 & I-5 77-161	\$71.00/Acre
Copper Center Subd.	ASLS 79-042	\$140.00/Acre
Deadman Lake Subd.	ASLS 81-040	\$268.00/Acre
Delta Ag Subd.	ASLS 78-93	\$41.00/Acre

Project Name	Project description	Cost/Acre
Denali View Subd.	ASLS 80-145	\$405.00/Acre
Eagle Subd.	ASLS 81-033	\$261.00/Acre
Frederick Point North Subd.	ASLS 83-031	\$698.00/Acre
Glennallen Area I	ASLS 79-144 Sec. 7, 17, 20, 29, 30, T4N, R1W, CRM	\$122.00/Acre
Glennallen Area II	ASLS 79-249 Sec. 24, T4N, R2W, CRM	\$122.00/Acre
Glennallen Area II	ASLS 79-250 Sec. 22, T4N, R2W, CRM	\$122.00/Acre
Glennallen Area II	ASLS 79-251 Sec. 26, 27, T4N, R2W, CRM	\$122.00/Acre
Goldstreak Subd.	ASLS 79-156	\$492.00/Acre
Greensward Subd.	ASLS 79-154	\$492.00/Acre
High Mountain Lakes Addn. Subd.	ASLS 81-194	\$426.00/Acre
High Mountain Lakes Subd.	ASLS 80-154	\$273.00/Acre
Indian River Subd.	ASLS 80-131	\$229.00/Acre
John Lake Subd.	ASLS 82-190	\$458.00/Acre
Lake Louise Small Lots	Various US Surveys On Lake Louise	N/A
Lynx Lake Aliquot Part	Sec. 9, 16, 21, T18N R4W, SM	\$63.00/Acre
Rabideux Ag.	Sec. 9, 15, 16, 21, 22, 27, 28, 34, T25N, R5W, SM	\$46.00/Acre
Shelter Island Subd.	ASLS 80-170	\$460.00/Acre
Southwind	Sec. 10-3, 9-17, 20-29, T8S, R8W, FM	\$18.00/Acre
Talkeetna Foothills Subd.	Sec. 1-5, 8-12, 16, 20, 21, 28, 29, 32, T25N, R3W, SM	\$18.00/Acre
Tenakee Springs Subd.	ASLS 81-216	\$1285.00/Acre
Tok (Sec. 23, T18N, R12E, CRM)	ASLS 79-019	\$4.00/Lot
Whale Passage Addition #2	ASLS 00-26	\$350.00/Acre
Whale Passage Addition #3	ASLS 00-25	\$350.00/Acre